



Fulton had a \$25,000 fire last week

Fulton will have a new bank opened on Jan. 20 with a capital of \$100,000.

The Caseyville Enterprise has moved to Sturgis, a new town on the railroad, in Union County.

The government of Hayti has surrendered the ship "Haytien Republic" and the threatened war is averted.

Oliver Dilson, the well-known minister, died at his home in East Brooklyn, Mass., on the 21st instant, aged 77 years.

A man named Ed Coffman was shot and mortally wounded while trying to steal whisky from a "jig train" at Russellville.

Stanley, the African explorer, has been heard from and is safe and sound. There was nothing in the rumor that he had been captured by the natives.

Evangelist Horton has just closed a revival at a Lexington Baptist church which resulted in 100 conversions in three weeks.

Chris Neubauer, a foundry hand, was killed at Owensboro by an exploding cannon, which he was attempting to fire as a Christmassalute.

Capt. S. H. Ford, of Owensboro, has been elected Colonel of the Third Regiment of State Guards, vice Col. M. H. Crump, of Bowling Green.

Mrs. Jas. Jewell, of Shively, was buried to death last Thursday. She was sewing on a machine and in rising knocked off a lamp setting on a machine, breaking it and setting fire to her clothing.

Mrs. Chaska, nee Cora Belle Fellows, the young Dakota school teacher who achieved notoriety last winter by marrying a Sioux Indian and who subsequently exhibited herself with her husband in dime museums, gave birth to a boy baby on the 24th instant, at Fort Bennett, Dak.

Jno. W. Blythe, a Fulton, Ky., merchant, claims to be one of the thirty heirs of Gypsy Blythe, of California, who died leaving a fortune of several millions of dollars. He is now in Scotland and the Elgin Consul, Dr. Walling, is assisting him in collecting proof in regard to the matter. Nearly all of the heirs live in Kentucky, if the Fulton merchant's claims are well founded.

Much of our space is given to-day to the horrible disasters that have been occurring almost daily for several days in every part of the country. There seems to be an epidemic of fatal accidents and nearly a hundred persons have lost their lives in these river, ocean and railroad horrors since the holidays began. To many a bereaved heart there will be no "Merry Christmas" this year.

Ayer's Almanac for 1889, published by Dr. J. C. Ayer &amp; Co., Lowell, Mass., comes to us in the shape of a neat presentation book of about five hundred pages, being made up of numerous editions calculated for the latitudes of many lands. A score of nations are addressed in their own languages. Ayer's Almanac, in its familiar yellow cover, has long been known as the most accurate and reliable of its kind. Ask your druggist for Ayer's Almanac.

The following of our exchanges succumbed to the "time-honored custom" and missed an issue for Christmas: Muhlenberg Echo, Cadiz Telephone, Franklin Favorite, Mayfield Monitor, Breckinridge News, Elizabethtown News, Eliz. Progress, Princeton Banner, Somerset Republican, Glasgow Times, Bowling Green Democrat, Shelby Sentinel, Owen News, Bullitt Pioneer, Eminence Constitutional, Grayson Gazette, Union Local, Caseyville Enterprise, Hopkinsville New Era, Clarksville Tobacco Leaf, Louisville Times, Russellville Herald, Clarksville Chronicle, Caldwell Courier, Clarksville Democrat, Henderson News.

Owensboro Messenger: The suggestion of the name of Capt. W. J. Stone for Governor of Kentucky is one that will not make the decent and respectable people of this end of the State tired. Here is a man who, though a cripple, has risen, from an humble origin and through poverty—never hinting, however, at these facts himself—to a place of honor and distinction in the history of his State and country, and who has lived a conscientious life even as a politician, which it were hard to do, the good man had told us, than for a camel to squeeze through the eye of a needle. Should he be elected Governor he might not make the most brilliant Executive, but the State never had, and will never have, one who would do his duty more faithfully or courageously.

Now, You're Shouting.  
(Owensboro Messenger.)

Five weeks ago two brick store houses were destroyed by fire in Hopkinsville. The counterpart of the two houses is now ready for occupancy. This is about as rapid a piece of enterprise as any town in the State can show, and fairly earns for Hopkinsville the title of the Chicago of Western Kentucky.

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## NEARLY 100 LIVES LOST.

FOUR HORRIBLE DISASTERS ON RIVER, OCEAN AND RAIL.

A Sad Christmas In Many Stricken Homes.

MEMPHIS, Dec. 23.—The magnificient lower river steamer Kate Adams was burned at 8 o'clock this morning near Commerce Miss., and thirty of the 200 people on board lost their lives. The boat left Helena at 2 o'clock this morning, loaded to the guards. Besides 1,200 bales of cotton, the lower deck had forty passengers, while nearly two hundred passengers were in the cabin.

The vessel burned like powder, and in a flash the flames had taken possession of the forward part of the cabin and spread along the rails to the stern. The passengers rushed around in a state of panic impossible for the captain to check and the officers to subdue. Many of them leaped overboard and were drowned, while some few of the men succeeded in swimming from the middle of the river to shore.

Among the deck passengers the panic was if anything greater. Most of them were colored men, and upon the approach of the fire they jumped into the river. Only a few succeeded in reaching land. Among the deck passengers were six colored women, and in attempting to rescue them Second Clerk Corlett lost his life. An attempt was made to lower the yawl, but in the struggle to take possession of it the yawl was capsized and several persons drowned.

Besides the clerk, Geo. Corbett, six of the cabin crew and two roustabouts, all colored, were lost. In addition fifteen deck passengers, four of whom were white men, were also drowned.

The boat was one of the best on the river, and was valued at \$75,000. She was owned by Major Adams, of Little Rock. The origin of the fire is unknown.

ANOTHER JUST AS BAD.

One Disaster Follows Close Upon Another's Heels.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 25.—The steamer John H. Hauna, loaded with cotton from Ouchita, burned at Plaquemine, La., early this morning. The boat and cargo are a total loss. It was one of the most terrible river disasters that has ever happened in Southern waters. The loss of life was heavy, nearly thirty persons perishing in the flames and in the river. At the time the fire was discovered the crew were at their posts. Capt. Jolles was at his wheel, and in the pilot house with him was Bob Smith, a famous Mississippi River pilot, who was one of the men on the Robert E. Lee when she burned to the water's edge some years ago. Second Engineer Merriman was in the room on duty, and Capt. J. S. Holmes, one of the finest steamboatmen on the river, was in command of the steamer. The boat had left Monroe Sunday morning, well laden with cotton. She picked up freight all along and when she got out of the Ouchita and in the Mississippi, she had over 2,300 bales of cotton. It was just before Christmas day was being ushered in when the fine steamer was coming down the river. Several of the passengers, gentlemen on the boat, were seated in the cabin making merry and with no thought of impending catastrophe. Many of the crew and passengers were asleep. There were deck hands on the boat, busy with freight, and the fireman and others were near the boilers. The boat was in command of the steamer. The fire spread with indescribable rapidity, and the details of how some of the lost died are harrowing in the extreme.

Among those lost were: Capt. J. S. Holmes, master of boat; Sam Powell, chief clerk; Bob Smith, a pilot from Smithland, La.; Mike O'Neill, night watchman; Joe Crane, first cook; Jack Duff, second cook; Joe Horney, cabin boy; Jim Watson, second baker; John Crofton, the carpenter of the boat; John Barlow and Jim Blank, colored, roustabouts; Dick Blank, colored, mess-room tender; Stephen John and Monroe Diggs, cooks; a child of Priscilla Wright, colored. There were forty roustabouts on the Illinois, of whom thirty-three are known to have been saved, leaving eleven unaccounted for. One thousand dollars was found in the pockets of Clerk Powell, whose body was recovered. The following-named persons are among those saved: Mary Ramsey, chambermaid of the steamer Josie W.; Priscilla Wright and Millie Gentry (colored), passengers; Will Marshall, cabin boy; John Jackson and Thos. Garrison.

A RAILROAD COLLISION.

Two Persons Killed and Many Wounded.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 24.—A disastrous and fatal accident happened about 9 o'clock this morning on the Louisville and Nashville railroad at Bardstown Junction, twenty miles south of this city. The fast express, south bound, overtook and ran into the Knobville branch accommodation going in the same direction. A disastrous wreck was the result. There were three passengers killed and ten more or less injured, besides that the engineer and fireman on the last train were badly injured.

The loss to the road will be \$25,000 at least. The locomotive and baggage car on N. &amp; S. and the two rear passenger coaches on No. 23 were demolished. This was the first serious accident on to an L. &amp; N. train for a number of years.

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KILLED.

Mrs. Mary Perkins, Hodgenville, Ky.

William Houston, Hodgenville, Ky.

Miss Mary Kernal, Louisville.

SERIOUSLY INJURED.

Engineer Milton McFeran, Louisville.

Fireman Charles King, Louisville.

E. S. Miller, Lebanon, Ky.

Johnny Mount, Lagrange, Ky.

Phil B. Thompson, Shepperville, Ky.

Miss Bertha Flounbacker, Hopkinsville, Ky.

J. P. Heckelman, Louisville.

SLIGHTLY INJURED.

S. K. Adams, Louisville.

Mrs. Ella Adams, Louisville.

Mrs. Dr. J. F. Jennings, Louisville.

Mrs. J. R. Mount, Lagrange, Ky.

E. R. Duckerson, Bardstown, Ky.

Miss Bertha Flounbacker, Hopkinsville, Ky.

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IN THE FAR WEST.

The Proprietor Erickson Burned and Seven Lives Lost.

SEATTLE, WASH. TUES. DEC. 25.—

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And scatters people around,  
Diseases to hunt and find  
Do please on de road.  
But when the burnin' stomach sinks,  
And draps folks in de river,  
If de crowner comes to make his fee,  
There's nuttin' to skirr.

## PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Miss Luis Hansford is visiting Mrs. J. W. Lewis.

Jas. T. Gant is spending the week with his parents.

Jas. Burnett has gone on a visit to Owensboro.

Harry Bryan is visiting friends in Henderson.

Prof. Clifton C. Ferrell returns to Nashville Wednesday.

Miss Mand King, of Corydon, is visiting Miss Matthe Young.

Jas. Tandy, Nashville, is visiting his father, Mr. D. A. Tandy.

Miss Luis Northington, Tyroneburg, is visiting Miss Matthe Brown.

Rev. Chas. Morris, Evansville, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. C. T. Mason left Wednesday for Mississipi on a week's visit.

Miss Bertha Harrow has returned from a visit to Princeton.

Mr. Gant, Owensboro, came over this week to see his Hopkinsville friends.

Frank Cook has gone to Evansville to take a position in the L. & N. roadmaster's office.

Mrs. Wheeler has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Morris, of Evansville.

Misses Clara Means and Mary Clark have gone on a visit to friends in Nashville, III.

Mr. W. A. Lovry's friends will be glad to know he has recovered from a severe spell of sickness.

Mr. E. W. Walker has moved into his new house on the Fairview pike, adjoining the Brane place.

R. J. Salmon, of Dawson, spent several days of this week visiting friends in the city and county.

C. E. Trice and bride, now Miss Jenne Stough, who were married at Fort Worth, Tex., on the 24th, are expected here to-day.

W. R. Bowles returned Wednesday, from Campbellsville, Ky., where he had been called by a telegram announcing the sudden death of his father, a few days before.

Mr. Harry Frazier, who has been in the employ of J. S. & T. nail company, as local roadmaster, at this place, left for Birmingham, Ala., Wednesday, having been transferred there to hold a similar position. Mr. Frazier, although a resident of our city but a year, made many friends, who regret that his duties call him to other fields, and he and his family will ever be held in high esteem by their numerous friends here. Harry, as the boys call him, is a thorough railroad man, exceedingly popular with the L. & N. officials, and by strict and prompt attention to the company's affairs is nearing the top of the ladder where the highest honors await him.

## CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES.

Some of the Numerous Gaieties of the Season.

The children had a masquerade party at Mr. D. A. Tandy's Tuesday night.

Miss Mattie Young entertained a number of her friends Wednesday evening.

Miss Lizzie Wood will entertain a number of young ladies and gentlemen at the residence of Mr. Hunter Wood this evening.

Mrs. Thos. W. Long gave a six o'clock dinner Tuesday evening, to which a limited number of friends were invited.

The young people of the vicinity had a social at Mr. E. H. Sibley's Tuesday night, which was attended by several couples from the city.

One of the events of the week was the pink dominoes party at Miss Sallie Wallace's Wednesday evening. It was largely attended and was a pronounced success.

The future belles and beaux of the city met at Judge Tyler's last evening to have a good time, upon the invitation of the Judge's pretty daughter, Miss Mary.

There will be a social gathering at Mr. C. M. Mercer's this evening which will undoubtedly be one of the pleasantest of the week. The Misses Mercer know how to entertain handsomely and their receptions are always enjoyed by all who are present.

The Pleasure Club was entertained last night by Miss Sallie Campbell, at the residence of Capt. Jno. R. Green, on South Main St. It was the occasion of much enjoyment to the members of the Club and their friends.

The Misses Edmundson gave a Christmas tree entertainment at the residence of Mr. T. M. Edmundson Tuesday evening, which was attended by a select number of their intimate friends. The affair was highly enjoyed by all who were present.

A Christmas tree at the Episcopal church Wednesday evening was the means of distributing a large number of presents among the Sunday School children of the church. A number of recitations and songs were given before the distribution was made.

A Christmas tree was arranged at Dr. Rodman's Monday evening by Mrs. Southerland, to which the children of her Sunday School class and a few others were invited. It was an occasion of much pleasure to the juveniles, who were handsomely entertained by Mrs. Southerland's charming little daughters, Misses Hallie and Mary.

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## THIS AND THAT.

Miss A. Rogers' livery stable, Fritzel's old stand.

There have been no public sales at the tobacco exchange this week.

Born to the wife of Mr. W. L. Johnson, on the 23rd last, a boy.

The return engagement of "Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde" was played last night.

Jas. L. Skarri was presented with a fine cane by the L. & N. employees, Christmas.

Wallace Pollard, col., was fined \$5 and costs in the City Court Monday for drunkenness.

Since Monday morning the county clerk has issued 4 licenses to white and 12 to colored couples.

There is talk of two new drug stores and a new shoe store being opened. Our boom is coming by degrees.

The colored people's lodge of Wipe Men gave a French tea party at Miss Hall's on the evenings of Dec. 25th and 26th.

The Masonic lodge had a special meeting for the election of officers last night, which was followed by a banquet in Bell's vacant store room.

Mrs. J. W. Gaines, of the Burbridge House, held ticket number 1,600,089, which drew the fine set of furniture in C. R. Clark & Co.'s drawing on Christmas day.

Rev. H. A. McDonald, pastor of the Christian Church, was presented with a handsome Christmas present in the shape of a gold watch, by the ladies of his church.

Mrs. Ira Smith has resigned her position as teacher in the Public Schools and the School Board will meet to-night to fill the vacancy. There are quite a number of applicants.

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Dr. R. E. Christian's store house, cor., Ninth and Clay, Gilliland & Kennedy's old stand will be completed this week and he will move his stock of drugs into same the first of next week.

We are determined to square up our books by Jan. 1st. All parties indebted to us must settle their accounts before that date or we will put them in the hands of an officer for warrant. J. F. GORDON & Co.\*

The Magnum Opus Club, composed of colored people, gave a concert last evening under the direction of Mrs. Little Young. To-night the club will present the drama "Among the Breakers."

Send your orders to J. S. Brown Springfield, Tenn., for pure Tennessee and Kentucky whiskies and apple and peach brandies. Prices of whiskies \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50, according to age. Brandies \$2 and \$2.50.\*

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Mr. C. W. Ducker, who has been in the business of carriage manufacturer, on the corner of Eighth and Virginia streets for a number of years, has moved to the corner of Eighth and Liberty, streets, old Metal Mtg. Co. building, where he will conduct the business in future, and would be pleased to see his old friends and customers.

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Knott Morehead, col., was arraigned Wednesday for drunkenness and fined \$5 and costs. Replevied.

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## CREAM OF THE NEWS.

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Deputy Sheriff of Caldwell Shot Green Mors, deputy sheriff of Caldwell county, accidentally shot himself with a pistol Monday, at Princeton, making a wound in his breast, which it is believed will cause death.

Killed at Adairville.

Bill Proctor, a white man, shot and instantly killed Louis Jones, col., at Adairville, Logan county, on Christmas night. The killing was unprovoked and Proctor has been taken to Russellville to escape violence at the hands of Jones' race.

A Small Fire.

The shed on the east side of the People's Warehouse was discovered on fire about 5 o'clock Wednesday morning. It was quickly extinguished by a colored man who discovered it. The supposition is that the fire originated from a spark from a passing engine.

Fifteen Couples Licensed.

T. M. Dalton to Carrie H. Wiley, J. R. Burgess to Georgia Ely, F. D. Sryley to Jennie Scobey.

COLORED.

Wm. Slaughter to Pickle Pinchem, Carter to Bell Williams, Elisha Wiggins to Joyce Williams, Wm. Ogden to Fannie Titterington, Thos. R. Dawson to Alice Moore, Chester Gray to Malina Summers, Joe Bell to L. M. Brown.

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